Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 578

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## BY REPRESENTATIVE DANAHAY

| 2  | To enact R.S. 18:1309(L), relative to voting; to provide relative to early voting at certain  |
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| 3  | locations; to provide relative to the days and hours of early voting at such locations;       |
| 4  | to provide relative to the authority and duties of registrars of voters and the secretary     |
| 5  | of state relative to early voting; to require notice; to provide for effectiveness; and       |
| 6  | to provide for related matters.   |
| 7  | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:  |
| 8  | Section 1. R.S. 18:1309(L) is hereby enacted to read as follows:                              |
| 9  | §1309. Early voting application and early voting  |
| 10 | * * *   |
| 11 | L.(1)(a) In a parish where early voting is conducted at an additional location                |
| 12 | pursuant to R.S. 18:1309.2, the registrar may fix the hours and days during which             |
| 13 | early voting shall be conducted at the additional location during the early voting            |
| 14 | period if such hours and days of voting are approved by the secretary of state no later       |
| 15 | than seven days after the close of qualifying for the election.                               |
| 16 | (b) The registrar shall ensure that adequate notice is posted at the office of                |
| 17 | the registrar informing the public of the hours and days during which early voting            |
| 18 | will be conducted at the additional location, and the secretary of state shall post such      |
| 19 | notice on the secretary of state's website.   |
| 20 | (2) The provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall not apply to                     |
| 21 | early voting for gubernatorial or congressional elections.                                    |
| 22 | Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not          |
| 23 | signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature |
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| l | by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If |   |  |
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| 2 | vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become   |   |  |
| 3 | effective on the day following such approval.  |   |  |
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|   |  | SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES |  |
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|   |  | PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE                 |  |
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|   |  | GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA      |  |
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